

**REGULAR MEETING  
BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE  
OCTOBER 2, 2007 – 3:00 P.M.  
TRIBAL OFFICE BOARDROOM**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call. CHAIRPERSON Karen Washinawatok called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Roll call taken with a quorum present. MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Washinawatok, Joan Delabreau, Eugene Caldwell, Jeremy Weso, Kathy Kaquatosh, Dan Maine, Harold Wilkes and Jamie Perez. MEMBERS ABSENT: Joan Delabreau (excused).
2. Moment of Silence. A moment of silence was observed.
3. Approval of minutes dated July 11, 2007, July 25, 2007; August 7, 2007; August 14, 2007; August 21, 2007 and August 28, 2007.

July 11, 2007

Harold Wilkes stated that between now and 2009 the Tribe will exceed their revenue budget by about 4 million than the 2 million as stated.

**Motion made by Eugene Caldwell to approve the minutes dated July 11, 2007. Second was by Kathy Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.  
Motion carried: 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 1 absent (Delabreau).**

July 25, 2007

**Motion made by Harold Wilkes to approve the minutes dated July 25, 2007. Second was by Dan Maine. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.  
Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Washinawatok) and 1 absent (Delabreau).**

August 7, 2007

**Motion made by Eugene Caldwell to approve the minutes dated August 7, 2007. Second was by Kathy Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.  
Motion carried: 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 1 absent (Delabreau).**

August 14, 2007

**Motion made by Kathy Kaquatosh to approve the minutes dated August 14, 2007. Second was by Dan Maine. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.  
Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Caldwell) and 1 absent (Delabreau).**

August 21, 2007

Eugene Caldwell wanted to confirm that the Mid Year General Council will not be held.

**Motion made by Kathy Kaquatosh to approve the minutes dated July 11, 2007. Second was by Dan Maine. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.  
Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 2 abstentions (Washinawatok and Caldwell) and 1 absent (Delabreau).**

August 28, 2007

**Motion made by Eugene Caldwell to approve the minutes dated July 11, 2007. Second was by Kathy Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.**

**Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Maine) and 1 absent (Delabreau).**

4. Associated Bank Investment Group Presentation.

Associated Bank reps did not show up. Dan Maine will contact them again.

**Motion made by Jeremy Weso to table this item until the next meeting. Second was by Kathy Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 1 absent (Delabreau).**

5. Carry-over funds request: Tribal Prosecutor.

(It was noted for the record that Eugene Caldwell left the room)

Toni Caldwell approached the committee to request that her program keep the 2007 carry-over funds so that her department can implement new software and to keep her assistant prosecutor on staff.

The carry over funds come from the salary and fringe line item. The previous prosecutor and legal secretary salaries were higher. Mrs. Caldwell informed the committee that she does not have any cushion in her 2008 budget to support the implantation of the new software or to keep existing staff.

She has applied for a DOT grant for impaired driving court but the award notification will not be known until December.

The assistant prosecutor can stay in his position until November 2, 2007 per Legislative motion.

**Motion made by Harold Wilkes to recommend to the Legislature to approve the carry over funds for the Tribal Prosecutor office in the amount of \$40,000.00 and also to extend the appointment of the Temporary Assistant Prosecutor until mid-January 2008. Second was by Jeremy Weso. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 1 absent (Delabreau).**

6. FY 2007 Tribal Budget Status: Review and Recommendations.

The Finance Department is still in the close out process and this will remain an agenda item.

Two departments that will be requesting the use of their NOFA dollars are the Language and Culture Commission and the Prosecutors Office.

7. County/Town Request for Additional Funds from Menominee Tribe FY/CY 2008.

Menominee County is requesting an additional \$80,000 dollars for Act 161 agreement; \$22,000 for some of the debt retirement for the two fire engine trucks that were purchased and \$20,000 for Chapter 51/55 but this payment (historically) come from the Tribal Clinic.

Next year, the Tribe will need to renegotiate the Act 161 agreement with the County. When the Tribe is renegotiating our gaming compact with the state; the figures provided by the County will be used to request additional credits.

Jeremy Weso will provide the committee with the updated figures from the county for the committee's information.

8. Other Business.

Joyce Kotschi is looking for approval to spend the found monies that the Casino sends over to the Tribe. There was a Legislative motion splitting the found monies 50/50 with the youth.

Found monies will be an agenda item at the next meeting and the youth programs will be requested to submit a narrative on their needs.

9. Adjournment

**Motion made by Jeremy Weso/Eugene Caldwell to adjourn the meeting.**

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Peters, Recorder/Transcriber